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OFFICE OF TRAINING

TO: Training Officers of DDS

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Filing Workshop

26 October 1959

The workshop will emphasize the Agency's <u>Subject Numeric Filing System</u> as established in Handbook ______ The morning portion (0930-1200) will include a review of the Agency's system, classifying, filing techniques, and some practical tips on filing. In the afternoon (1300-1600) there will be clinics during which students can discuss any problems with analysts from the Records Management Staff. Those not resolved at this time will be scheduled for later attention.

This is the first of three Filing Workshops that were announced in the September-October issue of the <u>OTR Bulletin</u>. Further details on the programs may be directed to the Information Branch/RS/TR, extension

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work for a ten-minute interview. At this time, levels of pronunciation, understanding and speaking are scored. Later, all results are forwarded by the Testing and Research Staff/TR to the Information Branch of the Registrar Staff for evaluation, principally with respect to awards for achievement (if higher levels of proficiency are attained) or for maintenance, if awardable levels are kept.

If scores are such that the person receives an award, the decision is sent to the Registrar for his signature of approval, after which a final report is completed for the Comptroller. This report includes the original (the Comptroller's copy) of Form 1273. In all cases, including those who do not receive an award, a first copy of the same form, showing test results, is sent to the Machine Records Division where scores recorded in the LQR. A second copy is sent to the Training Officer informs the individual of the Meanwhile, all scores decisions are retained in the files of the Information Branch.

The schedule of tests for the remainder of '59 is:

Albanian	12	Nov	Japanese	3	Dec
Amharic	29	Oct	Korean	8	Oct
Arabic	8	Oct	Malay	2 9	Oct
Cambodian	29	0ct	Pashto	29	Oct
Chinese	24	Nov	Persian	10	Nov
Croatian	13	Oct	Polish	15	Oct
Czech	10	Nov	Portuguese	27	Oct
Finnish	8	Oct	Russian	22	Oct
French	6	Oct	Russian	1	Dec
French	5	Nov	Spanish	19	Nov
French	, 8	Dec	Swahili	29	Oct
German	3	Nov	Swedish	12	Nov
German	10	Dec	Tibetan	29	Oct
Greek	20	Oct	Turkish	13	Oct
Icelandic	29	Oct	Urdu	15	Dec
Italian	17	Nov	Vietnamese	13	Oct

A 1960 schedule will be published in early December, this year.

OTR to Publish New Catalog

About mid-October, the Fall issue of the OTR Catalog will be available to offices throughout the Agency. It will be published in two editions for headquarters purposes, and in a single, smaller edition for the field. The publication has a new format: it is 6 x 9 and courses are identified according to category and by the newly adopted OTR codes. Each is described much more briefly than in previous issues.

In addition to summaries of OTR's courses, there are descriptions of those conducted by other Offices of the Agency in which Agency employees not necessarily of the sponsoring office may be enrolled. Selected programs of other Government agencies and departments and of non-Government institutions are also included.

General information on administration and registration procedures and on requirements for courses are explained in the foreword.

Copies of headquarters' issues will be distributed to Senior personnel and Training Officers.

Filing Workshops Scheduled

A series of one-day, Filing Work-shops for employees engaged in filing or files supervision will be presented jointly by the Records Management Staff and the Clerical Training Faculty of the Office of Training. The first workshop on 26 October is for employees of the DDS. The second is scheduled 16 November for DDI, and the third, 7 December, for DDP. Classes will meet

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from 0930 to 1200, and from 1300 to 1600 in Room 501, 1016 165h Street.

Enrollment for the DDS session is limited to 35. Registration closes on 19 October. Applicants should register through their Training Officers.

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dated 2 September. In this bulletin the new features of the form are described, with particular emphasis on the fact that a considerable amount of biographic and professional information is no longer required of the person who completes it and that the Registrar's office will now furnish the information on past training.

From analysis of past applications it is apparent that over 90% of our employees apply for one course at a time. The form is designed to provide for this percentage. However, for the remaining ten percent, the Registrar has no objections to one form being used for two - or more - OTR courses, if they are in sequence or are closely related from a standpoint of scheduling. In these cases personnel in his office will complete any supplementary detail necessary for registration.

OTR Revises Request for Internal Training Form

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Recently, a new version of Form 73, Request for Internal Training, was distributed to the supply centers throughout the Agency. This is the form (5×8) that should be used from now on for registration in OTR's courses. It can also be used to register in courses given by other offices in the Organization. Although there is some of the old stock $(8 \times 10^{1/2})$ available as yet, we recommend its use only to register in the off-duty language courses.

The original announcement of the availability of the new form was made in OTR Special Bulletin, 17-59,

USDA Expands Training Program

A concerted effort to supplement studies not only for the high school graduate but also the non-graduate is being made by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It has expanded its extension program for this group, and according to its catalog, in the Spring semester, among the many of its courses, will give the following:

Mathematics and Statistics
(Scientific and Business Data
Processing on Electronic Computers, Trigonometry and Analytic Geometry, Calculus)

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